

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 8 March 2006 at 7:00 PM. The meeting took place in the Court Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Douglas Bennett, Brian Chadwick, and Whiting Willauer. Michael Glowacki and Bruce Watts were absent. Vice Chairman Chadwick called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Announcements. Mr. Chadwick announced the March 13, 2006 closure of the Visitor Services office for painting and noted the Health Department's second informational meeting to continue the dialogue on septic system inspections at the High School's Large Group Instruction Room on March 27, 2006 at 5:00 PM.

Public Comment. Tom Landry introduced himself as a Spruce Street resident and taxi owner and, noting that a fence and plantings exist on Spruce Street, asked for encroachments to be addressed. He also spoke on taxi issues.

Approval of Minutes of 2 March 2006 at 9:30 AM and 1 March 2006 at 7:00 PM. The Board approved each set of minutes in turn by unanimous consent.

Approval of Payroll Warrant for Week Ending 5 March 2006. The Board approved the payroll warrant by unanimous consent.

Approval of Treasury Warrant and Pending Contracts for Week Ending 8 March 2006. Mr. Willauer asked for clarification on the contracts, which Attorney Steve Cohen addressed. Mr. Bennett moved to approve the treasury warrant and pending contracts. Mr. Willauer seconded. So voted unanimously.

Selectmen's Goals/Initiatives

1. Pavement Management Program Presentation. Town Administrator Libby Gibson introduced the presentation, providing background information and noting that this item pertains to the Board's infrastructure goal. She noted that no action is required at this time, but that reference to the information may be helpful to the Board when considering future applicable budgetary funding requests. Jonathan Groeder of the civil engineering firm MacTec, gave a project overview of pavement management as a strategic planning tool. Discussion followed on traffic assessment methods, road cut remedies, and the use of brick and stone roads.

2. 2 Fairgrounds Road Presentation. Ms. Gibson introduced the matter, noting that it relates to the Board's infrastructure goal as well. She noted that no action is required at this time and recommended that the Board consider the information brought forward for further discussion at a future Wednesday "goals and initiatives" meeting, possibly in April. Steve Phillips of the Maguire Group addressed questions, comments and concerns that were brought forward at the December 15, 2005 presentation to the Board. He described how a "change of use" for the existing building on the site would not be economically feasible for the Town, but that accepted use is possible for some years ahead. He noted the intent to keep the downtown presence of the Police Department in addition to the proposed new public safety facility. He spoke to the benefits of having a public safety facility/emergency response center and to the location of the building.

Discussion followed on re-use of the Nantucket Electric Company building as a "health club and physical and cardiac rehabilitation facility and health clinic" as suggested by Mr. Willauer. Ms. Gibson noted that the Board's previous vote in March 2005 to endorse particular uses for the site did not include the use brought up by Mr. Willauer. Discussion followed on parking possibilities, lock-up requirements, and the good working relationship of both chiefs. Chief Pierce spoke on interaction of departments and the thought given to the siting at Ticcoma and Fairgrounds Roads as the safest location for a facility. Ms. Gibson noted plans for interim uses for the existing building.

Town Administrator's Report.

1. Goals Implementation Update. Town Administrator Libby Gibson gave an update on the implementation progress of the Board's goals since the last update of August 31, 2005. She indicated that the Board may want to begin to consider goals for 2006-07.

Ms. Gibson mentioned that resurfacing for Milestone Road will be occurring this year by Mass Highway and advised the Board of the state's inquiry as to the Town taking over ownership of that road, which Town Administration does not recommend. The Board consented to take the matter under advisement.

Mr. Willauer moved to adjourn to executive session, not to return to open session, for the purpose of discussing a real estate matter. Mr. Bennett seconded. At 8:30 PM, Mr. Chadwick polled the Board and Mr. Willauer, Mr. Bennett, and Mr. Chadwick voted unanimously so to adjourn.

Approved the 15th day of March 2006.